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**Federal Election Commission** 999 E Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20463

**Attention: Attorney Ruth Heilizer** 

Dear Sirs:

I am again seeking an investigation of the complaint that I filed referenced Mr. Brian Woodworth, aka Professor Brian Woodworth, and the fact that he is illegally on the ballot for the election on November 6, 2012 as Republican candidate for the 2<sup>rd</sup> Congressional District, State of Illinois.

At the time of the violation of election law Mr. Brian Woodworth was a Law Professor at Olivet Nazarene University.

Mr. Woodworth illegally utilized students and other professors at Olivet Nazarene University to get names for his petition by aiding in granting them college intern credits.

The process involved students being advised by Mr. Woodworth and some of his fellow professors, several of which were, <u>Dr. Woody Webb</u> and Dean of the School of Professional Services Dr. Dennis Crocker, that by getting individuals to sign Mr. Woodworth's election petitions the students would be rewarded by the professors through the issuing of college intern credits in exchange for their involvement.

Although Olivet Nazurene University President Dr. John Bowling asserts that the involved students were in fact "volunteers" that assertian is inaccurate as the students would not have been granted intern credits, which have an actual cash value, were they simply volunteering to work in the Woodworth campaign. In addition, were the students simply volunteers those other Olivet Nazarene University professors would not have been in a position to reward the student involvement in the Brian Woodworth campaign through the granting of intern credits in exchange for the students gathering the names for Mr. Woodworth's election petitions.

The college credits at Olivet Nazarene University are \$1136.00 per credit.

When I contacted Olivet Nazarene University concerning the school's history of students getting intern credits for involvement in pulitical elections I was advised by Dr. John

Bowling the university president that the school has no history of granting intern credits to students for involvement in gathering elections petitions for candidates for public office.

Dr. Knight a Director of Registration and Admissions advised that intern credits issued by Olivet Nauarene University are included in the student tuition fees. He advised that the eash value of the intern credits are calculated as a percentage of the tuition costs.

I contend that when Mr. Woodworth through his employment and association with Olivet Nazarene University and with the aid and support of several of his fellow professors, who were identified in a preceding paragraph of this communication (paid students through the granting of intern credits) to gather election petitions for Mr. Woodworth therefore using university assets (the cash value of the intern credits), facilities and reputation of Olivet Nazarene University to gather names for Mr. Woodworth's election petitions.

I contend that these election violations resulted in Mr. Woodworth's name appearing of the March 20, 2012 Primary Ballot and that had Mr. Woodworth not violated the letter and spirit of the law, his name would not have appeared on the March 20, 2012 Republican Primary Ballot and Mr. Woodworth would not have won that election.

The remedy I seek is that Mr. Brian Woodworth be found to have violated federal election law and his name be removed from the November 6, 2012 General Election as candidate for U.S. Congress 2<sup>nd</sup> District of Illinois.

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

The information herein is sworn to be true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.

CC: Mr. B. J. Mason Attorney at Law

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## **Professor prepares** to run for Congress

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**News Editor** 

rian Woodworth, associate professor of criminal justice, has decided to run for the second congressional district and has utilized the help of many ONU student volunteers in launching his campaign.

Woodworth received a final contract from Olivet for the 2012-2013 school year. Although he has weighed the possibilities of running for Congress in the past, it wasn't until he realized he wouldn't be returning to Oliver that he began to "seriously examine the potential," he said.

Woodworth has assumed the Republican Party and said, in part, his inspiration for running is fueled by his disappointment with the direction our government is pursu-

Having experience in farming, factory work, business, law and education, Woodworth believes he has the experience and education to represent the people within the demographic of the new district. When asked why people should vote for him Woodworth said, "Because I am a fresh voice and I am not a Washington insider ... I'm focused on bringing true representation for our district to D.C. and [will] work to get Washington working for the people. again."

Work has been done behind the scenes to commence Woodworth's campaign. Members of the political science club, Capitol Hill Gang, as well as other students and alumni, have contributed to the develop-

ment of the campaign.

"Select members of the Capitol Hill Gang (CHG) have been of phenomenal assistance." Woodworth said. "When I decided to run, we needed 600 signatures and had less than 10 days to do it. With the help of six CHG students acting under the guidance of Matt Van Dyke and Matt Logan, we were able to secure 858 signatures in under eight days."

These student volunteers have also helped by doing research and graphic design for the campaign. Junior Matt Van Dyke, Capitol Hill Gang president, said volunteers are

gaining experience by helping out.

"While we are keeping Capitol Hill Gang officially separate from the campaign, many students have taken an interest in volunteering ... and are using the campaign as a way to get internship credits. That way, they are helping a professor as well as getting credit. for their majors."

Political science major Denee Jones schedules Woodworth's campaign. She is hoping to get some real-world political experience for her future goals of going to law

school.

"It would be amazing to be able to write on a resume that I was involved with a campaign for a vandidate that was elected to the U.S. Congress," she said.

The Republican and Democratic primaries for this district, which reaches from St. Anne to Lake Michigan and the west border of Kankakee County to Indiana, will take place March 20, according to Van Dyke.

Jones believes Woodworth has a fair chance, based on the articles she has seen so far. "It seems like people are getting tired of career politicians," she said. "Congress could use someone like Milandworth 1"